(*b*) (i) the number of those among them whose pay is above Rs. 15 : and

(ii) the number whose pay is Rs. 15 or less ;

(*c*) whether the Inspector of Vernacular Schools finds time to properly conduct the inspection work of the several schools, after attending to his work in connection with the appointment, transfer, leave, etc., of those subordinates ;

(*d*) whether they do not consider it essential in the interests of the administrative efficiency of those officers to invest the Assistant Inspectors of Vernacular Schools with the power of appointment up to Rs. 15 ;

(*e*) whether the Inspector of Vernacular Schools has written to the Director of Public Instruction that this power must remain with him ; and

(*f*) whether the Director of Public Instruction has addressed the Government on the subject ?

Mr. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) 5348.

(*b*) (i) 1440.

(ii) 3908.

(*c*) He says that he finds time.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) and (f) Yes.

Liquor Shops near Public Places.

55. Mr. M. R. MADHAVA VARIAR (*Chengannur* cum *Pattanamtitta*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement of the number of toddy and arrack shops near public roads, markets, schools, and places of public worship throughout the State ?

Mr. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The statement* required by the member is laid on the table. It includes all toddy and arrack shops within a furlong of the above-mentioned places.

Mr. M. R. MADHAVA VARIAR (*Chengannur* cum *Pattanamtitta*) : Will the Government be pleased to say whether they have cancelled the circular to the effect that toddy and arrack shops should not be located near public thoroughfares, markets, schools, places of public worship, etc. ?

Mr. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice.

Sale of Foreign Liquor at Quilon.

56. Mr. M. R. MADHAVA VARIAR (*Chengannur* cum *Pattanamtitta*) : (*a*) Did the Government sanction a special license for the vend of foreign liquors for the town of Quilon in 1096 on the distinct condition that liquors brought for sale under that license should be imported through the sea direct from foreign countries ?

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Appendix III.

***Vide* Answer to Question No 55.**

Statement of arrack and toddy shops near public roads, markets, etc.

Kind of shops.	Number of arrack and toddy shops near			
	Public roads.	Markets.	Schools.	Places of public worship.
Arrack	224	35	28	75
Toddy	385	46	34	49